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REPARATIONS PROBLEMS.

France Rejects British Plan.

PROTRACTED DISCUSSION EXPECTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, January 3.

The French Cabinet to-day unanimously rejected the British reparations proposals. M. Poincaré this morning communicated to the Cabinet the British reparations plan, and the Cabinet was unanimously of opinion that the plan entailed a considerable reduction of French credit, also fresh delays, without giving any security, and thus constituted a definite abandonment of the essential clauses of the Treaty of Versailles.

Paris, January 3.

A semi-official communication states that if the British at today's conference do not accept the principle which M. Poincaré regards as indispensable, namely no moratorium without pledges, the discussions will not be carried further; if the principle be accepted, the discussions will continue on the basis of the French memorandum.

Long Sitting Expected.

Paris, January 3.

The conference adjourned for tea, and then resumed. There is every prospect of a long sitting.

Later.

The Allied conversations, which were resumed this afternoon, are proceeding uninterrupted.

Later.

Despite the French semi-official message hinting at a possible rupture, the conference proceeded uninterrupted and adjourned in the evening until to-morrow afternoon.

London, January 3.

British commentators emphasise that the predominant object of the British plan is to get Germany on her feet commercially and transfer her indebtedness from enemy nations to private investors; while the French aims are political rather than economic, demanding pledges to ensure their national security; hence the irreconcilable attitude, which a Paris message says is still conspicuous to-day, contrasting strongly with the British, who are showing every disposition to go to all reasonable lengths to meet the Allies on a compromise compatible with the fundamental principles of British policy. Hence British circles still cling to the hope of a satisfactory outcome of the discussions, which only began to-day, yesterday's proceedings being limited to the presentation of the plans of the respective Allies.

The Belgians and Italians are less hostile than the French to the British plan, and there is some hope of Belgium exerting a conciliatory influence, as she has done at previous conferences. Herr Bergmann is remaining in Paris for consultation if the conference decides, but no German plan is officially before the conference.

The French Objections.

Paris, January 3.

The earlier part of the conference was devoted to listening to M. Poincaré's detailed criticisms of the British plan. In addition to contending that the plan would wash out the Peace Treaty and cripple the Reparation Commission, M. Poincaré complained that France, Belgium and Italy could be put in the minority on the foreign finance council by the casting vote of the German Finance Minister. The plan clashed with the Treaty regarding payments in kind, and did not provide for pledges for enforcing payment at the expiration of the moratorium. He declared the plan would enable Germany to pay off her reparations debt in fifteen years after which she would be the only country in Europe without any foreign obligations. He was of opinion that effective reparations payments under the first series of bonds would amount to twenty milliards of marks, of which France would receive eleven.

Regarding the second series, the plan would reduce France's share to thirty-five per cent. instead of fifty-two, and increase Britain's share from twenty-two to forty-seven per cent. simultaneously cancelling Belgian priority. As regards inter-Allied debts, M. Poincaré pointed out that in order to obtain a cancellation of the eleven milliard gold marks owing to Britain, France would have to abandon thirty-eight milliard gold marks of bonds under the London schedule of payments and two and a half milliards in respect of the Belgian war debt, besides a milliard gold marks deposited in the Bank of England, in addition to other sacrifices.

The British Standpoint.

Paris, January 3.

M. Theunis supported M. Poincaré's viewpoint, and expressed disappointment at the British scheme, which he was unable to accept. He regretted that there seemed little hope of bringing the schemes into alignment, but was of opinion that an agreement was possible on a less ambitious plan regarding the conditions for a moratorium. The Italian delegate, Signor Della Torretta, reserved his statement until to-morrow.

M. Bonar Law expressed willingness for Belgian priority to remain, but declined to agree that the British plan violated the Peace Treaty. He repeated that if Germany failed to carry out the measures drawn up by the commission of control, Britain would be prepared to execute the fullest sanctions. He denied that the German Finance Minister would have any say on the subject of whether Germany was carrying out her obligations, and said that the French and Italian gold deposits did not exist in the Bank of England because they had been sent to America in wartime to pay the munitions. He declared that it was useless patching up an unworkable plan, which was not going to produce results. He was not saying he would necessarily reject a temporary, practicable arrangement, but it was necessary to face reality and realise the broad differences respecting the total amount obtainable and the methods of obtaining it.

Mr. Bonar Law admitted that France had abandoned some of the most objectionable pledges, but the French plan made a German recovery impossible. He stated that firstly the committee supervision proposed by France would practically take over the responsibility of the Government, which was a dangerous proposal; secondly the control of the coal industry of the Ruhr, which was the jocular vein of German trade, would prejudice German industry; and thirdly the demand for large payments in kind during the moratorium was almost as dangerous as demanding cash, involving a further inflation of currency.

BRITAIN'S COTTON AND SILK TRADE.

London, January 3.

An optimistic view of trade prospects in 1923 is taken by the "Bulletin" the organ of the Federation of British Industries. Dealing with cotton it says that although trade conditions at present are wretched, a rather more hopeful feeling prevails in Manchester. It is believed the demand will broaden soon, but the present level of prices handicaps Lancashire firms, as there is little probability of the natives of Eastern countries being able to consume large quantities of goods at the current rates. As regards silk, the review says it is unquestionably making up, and trade has improved, but the dress goods business is slower than ever and there is very little sign of an early improvement.

STRANGE AFFAIR OUTSIDE HARBOUR.

Efforts to Board French Steamer.

AN ALL-NIGHT FIGHT.

A somewhat sensational incident occurred outside the harbour last night, when a number of Chinese endeavoured to board the French steamer Jade, as she lay at anchor, evidently with the purpose of carrying out a big robbery. Several attempts were made to get aboard, but they were repulsed by the crew, and eventually the marauders made off.

It appears that the Jade arrived from Haiphong yesterday afternoon, but as her usual mooring at Kennedy Town was occupied, she had to lie outside the harbour. At about 11 p.m. two Chinese came alongside in a boat and boarded the vessel, saying they had come to take delivery of the cargo of pigs. As it was not usual for delivery to be taken before the steamer was at her mooring, the captain told them to go away, which they did. Later they came back with another boatload of Chinese, some eight in all, and the number later became increased to about twenty, with the arrival of more men. They began cruising round the vessel, and the captain, becoming suspicious, ordered the gangway to be drawn up and called to crew to their posts. Shortly after, some of the men in the boats endeavoured to clamber aboard, but they were beaten off by the crew with sticks, iron bars and the butt-ends of rifles and revolvers. During the fighting, another boat with about twenty or thirty Chinese drew alongside, and periodical attempts were made to board the steamer, the fight lasting practically the whole night. All the efforts by the invaders were repelled, and at about four o'clock in the morning the captain was about to order the crew to use their arms when the boats made off to a destination unknown.

The Jade blew her siren for some time during the happenings, but did not succeed in attracting attention. This morning, shortly after the boats had made off, regular cargo-boats came alongside the vessel, when news of the affair was made known. It is stated that the Chinese invaders, who numbered about fifty, were not armed, but as they were numerically much stronger than the crew, it is thought their intention was to come aboard and carry out an extensive robbery.

DEATH OF MR. J. D. OSMUND.

A Well-known Portuguese Resident.

It is with much regret that we have to record the death of Mr. James Daniel Osmund, a very well-known and greatly respected member of the Portuguese community, who passed away suddenly at his residence, No. 1, Bellio Terrace, this morning at 2.50 o'clock. For the last few years Mr. Osmund had been suffering from kidney trouble and had been under medical treatment, though this did not cause his family great anxiety.

for he was able to attend to his duties at the China Sugar Refinery office, where he was chief clerk, and of late had been very active at sports meetings and at interesting billiards matches in which his two sons, well-known local players, took part. As president of the Catholic Union Club, and of the Portuguese Philharmonic Society, he was often seen taking a leading part in social functions held under the auspices of these two institutions. Very well-liked and extremely sociable and courteous to all those who had the good fortune to know him, the late Mr. Osmund will be greatly missed by his large circle of friends.

In addition to his other public offices, the deceased gentleman was connected with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and with the Society of Mutual Aid for Portuguese, of which he was a committee member. He had been twenty-seven years in the employ of the China Sugar Refinery and was thirty-seven years of age.

The deceased is survived by a widow and four sons, by his father (Mr. Charles Osmund) who is 80 years of age, and by a brother, Mr. A.F. Osmund, of Messrs. Jardine's. With these relatives much sympathy is being felt.

The funeral takes place this evening, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.30 o'clock.

RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

Ships Leave Shanghai.

Shanghai, Jan. 4.—The Shanghai Times learns that the fifteen Russian refugee ships are leaving to-day for an unknown destination, probably Manila or Saigon. The Chinese authorities have allowed three hundred orphan children to land, but refused to admit the remaining refugees.

SOUTH AFRICA'S FINE CRICKET.

Cape Town, January 3.

There was summery weather to-day on the resumption of the Test match. There were 6,000 present. The wicket was perfect. South Africa compiled 242, with a great partnership between Catterall and Taylor, who knocked up 76 and 68, and produced altogether 155 for the second wicket; but the remaining batsmen failed against the fine bowling of Macculay, who took 5 for 64, and Kennedy, 4 for 58.

England went in and secured 85 for the loss of 6 wickets, this very sensational collapse being due to the magnificent bowling of Hall, whose present analysis is 5 for 35. The South African fielding was excellent. Play closed amidst demonstrations of wild enthusiasm.

NEW ISSUE OF OIL SHARES.

London, January 3.

Underwriting is being arranged of 850,000 ordinary pound shares in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, to be offered to the public at 75 shillings per share. New capital is required to develop distributing organisations and complete the fleet of tankers. Applications by shareholders in the Anglo-Persian and Burmah Oil Companies will be specially considered.

DELAY AT LAUSANNE.

Lausanne, January 3.

A further four or five days' delay is anticipated pending Hassan Bey's arrival with the Angora Government's instructions. Interest at present is centred on the Paris negotiations, which the Turks are following most closely, feeling that the outcome may influence the negotiations at Lausanne.

RUSSIAN FAMINE RELIEF.

Christiania, January 3.

Dr. Nansen is leaving for Moscow in the middle of January to confer with the Soviet authorities and his own representatives with regard to famine relief during the winter.

AN INCORRECT REPORT.

London, January 3.

The Dublin report of the execution of four rebels in Ireland yesterday, is officially denied.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

THE MOTOR TRAGEDY.

Enquiry This Afternoon.

An enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Lieut. Commander Geoffrey William Wingmore Hooper, R.N., of H. M. S. Hawkins, was held by the Coroner, Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistrate's this afternoon.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. L. G. Scott (foreman), H. Greenwood and Holger Drayer.

Mr. H.B.L. Denys attended the Court on behalf of the Admiralty.

The Coroner explained that the enquiry was held into the circumstances attending the death of the deceased in a motor car accident at Causeway Bay on the 2nd instant, and it was the duty of the jury to discover whether the driver or any one was responsible for the accident.

Paymaster Lieutenant L. B. Webb said that on the night of the 1st January he was at Repulse Bay. He went in a hired car, No. 188. There were six altogether in the party, himself, the deceased Paymaster Lt. Wallace, Paymaster Lt. MacBride, Paymaster Lt. Coffin, and Lt. Meakin. It was about 2.30 when the party returned. All six were in the car, which was travelling at a speed of between 20 and 25 miles an hour. Witness was sitting in the back of the car with his back against the right door of the car. Deceased was sitting next Paymaster Lt. MacBride. Witness heard another car overtaking them prior to the accident and he looked over his left shoulder and saw it pass. At the time the speed of the car was between 25 and 30 miles an hour. Witness had experience in driving a car. He could not say whether the accident occurred after the other car had passed. After the crash he was still in the car. The left back wheel was broken and the car was lying at an angle. Witness saw MacBride coming up from the back and the latter called his attention to the deceased, who was lying clear of the car, near the back wheel. A tramway standard was close to the rear end of the car. The car was not touching the standard. The other car had been travelling about 10 miles faster than theirs, and passed about eight feet from them. Witness did not blame anyone for the accident.

Mr. Nash (for the Connaught Motor Garage).—Previous to the accident was the car in good running order?—Yes.

Had you any fault to find with the chauffeur?—No.

Paymaster Wm. MacBride was the next witness called.

ARMED ROBBERY.

Man Charged in Court.

Lai Hoi-chau and Li Fook were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, this morning, with being implicated in an armed robbery on the evening of January 1st.

Inspector Murphy, prosecuting, stated that the robbery occurred at No. 7, Portland Street, the gang being disturbed at their work by a premature alarm given by the inmates of the floor below, who had heard the commotion that ensued on the entry of the robbers. The gang spread out in escaping, but one of them was followed by an inmate and arrested on the arrival of a constable on the scene. The inmates could not identify the man thus caught, and the prosecution had to depend mainly on the evidence of the man who tracked him.

The case was remanded on the application of Inspector Murphy until the 8th instant at 2.15 p.m.

WEST RIVER CRISIS.

The Situation Explained.

Although the average foreign reader must have a rather confused and hazy idea of what all the trouble in Wuchow is about, there will be no difficulty in grasping the fact that once again the West River district is in a hopelessly disturbed state and that all trade has been brought to a virtual standstill. All the native-owned junks and steamers have either been commandeered or have ceased to run, and the only two boats maintaining a service are the ss. Faiming and ss. Ko Chow, both British-owned. Mr. George Banker, well-known in river trade circles, told a Telegraph representative this morning that not only had boats been commandeered at Wuchow, but even at Kongmoon and other places services were greatly interrupted, most of the native boats having stopped. "Trade is practically at a standstill everywhere and there is nothing moving." This is not a very promising start for the new year.

The Opposing Forces.

We will try to outline the history of the present trouble, as briefly as possible. When Gen. Chan King-ming succeeded in defeating Sun Yat-sen's Expeditionary Army last year, a certain General named Lau Tsun-wei joined hands with Chan. Lau had at one time been under Luk Wing-tung (of Kwangsi fame), had gone over to Sun Yat-sen and then in turn forsaken Sun for Chan King-ming. At the conclusion of the fighting last year, Lau was left at Wuchow with two brigades of troops. He is the first factor in the situation. The second is a fairly big party of Yunnanese troops under Yeung Hai-man. These troops have been in Kwangsi for some time, but have been a force unto themselves. Then there are some Kwangsi soldiers under Shum Hung-ying. Until the coup of a few days ago, all these forces were separate, with Lau in charge of Wuchow. And then, suddenly, Lau turns against his chief (Chan King-ming), joins hands with the other two forces and seizes Wuchow, also announcing his intention of proceeding through Kwangtung to capture Canton itself. It is said that Lau's action was prompted by jealousy because Chan had asked Lum Fu, a Kwangtung General, to go to Wuchow to take charge of things. Anyhow, Wuchow is in the hands of the newly-formed alliance, and all the work of Chan to bring about a peaceful countryside seems to have been undone.

The Prospects.

A local Chinese, well-informed on Canton affairs, told us to-day that there was no fear but that Chan King-ming could easily hold his own. The forces which seized Wuchow are not well armed or equipped and if they move out of Kwangsi to attack Kwangtung (as they avow they will) they stand to catch trouble from the rear as well as from the front, because Luk Wing-tung is still in Kwangsi somewhere and would undoubtedly try to get the province back for himself. The holders of Wuchow are not very happy circumstances, our friend thought. But there will surely be some fighting. Chan King-ming has something in his own province to worry him, too. The so-called "citizen soldiers" are all over the province and some of them have already been making trouble, using their weapons for the purpose of carrying out looting, etc. If Chan keeps these men paid, they will probably remain quiet and might even fight for him, but if he doesn't, they will create trouble, and possibly go over to the enemy. A pretty handful of trouble!

Fighting Reported.

At Hong Kong fell so bloodlessly into the enemy's hands, Chan King-ming is out to make a fight of it. The latest news to-day is to the effect that fighting has taken place just outside Wuchow, some reports stating that Chan's men had a victory, others reporting reverses. Two Canton Commanders have been appointed to keep the river between Hong Kong and

LAZY POLICEMAN.

Gets Six Weeks in Prison.

"A habitual malingering" is how Baggi Singh, a Sikh policeman, was described when he was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Police Court this morning, with absenting himself from duty. Mr. Burlingham, A.S.P., who brought the prosecution, described the man's record as being very bad. He had been some months with the Force, and during that time had been brought up once before the Magistrate and at another time before the C.S.P. for a similar offence. In the former case he was discharged on medical evidence, but in the latter, a departmental fine of \$5 was imposed. Ever since then he "had been swinging the lead" and was now before the Court to be dealt with finally. It was stated that in spite of the regulation that no member of the Force residing at the Police Headquarters could absent himself from duty without permission, the accused was last known to absent himself at 6 o'clock in the morning and was not seen again until 8 o'clock. This would comprise an entire charge, in addition to that of absenting himself from duty, but in view of the accused having pleaded guilty to the major count, Mr. Burlingham informed the Magistrate that he would not press this further charge.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was inflicted by Mr. R. E. Lindell.

PEKING NEWS.

Sun Yat-sen's Demand.

A Peking telegram states that Sun Yat-sen's representative has made a demand to the new Premier that Mr. Shao-ching shall be appointed Minister of War.

Another Peking message says the Ministers of fifteen nations, as well as over two hundred officials, called on the President on New Year's Day.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

No. 155 the Peak, to let furnished.—Page 4.
A Secretary is required for the Helena May Institute.—Page 4.
"L'Apache" is the feature at the Star Theatre.—Page 4.
Mackintosh's Sale finishes to-morrow.—Page 8.
"His Majesty The American" is being screened at the Coronet.

LISTEN!

Boast—don't boast.
Theatrical.—Page 12.
The Colonial Dispensary are specialising in White Pine Cough Syrup.—Page 7.
Frank Keenan is appearing at the Kowloon Theatre in "The Bells".—Page 12.
Harmston's Circus are giving their first matinee on Saturday next.—Page 4.
The attraction at the World Theatre is "The Outside Door".—Page 12.

Shamshu open to commercial traffic. Meanwhile, trouble has broken out at Kwong Fook, in Kwangtung. A former magistrate of Hongshan, named Wu Fei, who has always supported Sun Yat-sen, has collected over 1,000 bandits and seized Kwong Fook, holding up flags declaring enmity to the present Canton regime. Gen. Chan Wing-sun and his brother Chan Wing-nan have been sent with strong forces to suppress the movement. In Canton itself, wild rumours about the return of Sun Yat-sen have a wide currency. There is no truth in these, however. But Sun's agents are busy at work trying to stir up public opinion to the Government, especially in the streets and in the lower classes. They have been spreading the rumour that all

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS
PARIS CONFERENCE.
Paris, Jan. 3.
M. Poincare took opportunity at the first meeting of the Con-
ference to reply to Dr. Cuno's speech of Dec. 31. He pointed out
that the covenant in the Treaty of Versailles already contained a
formal undertaking of non-aggression, which was binding on France
and would also apply to Germany as soon as she was admitted to the
League of Nations.
Referring to the British proposals Mr. Bonar Law pointed out
that if we got every penny we hoped to get from Germany, we would
not receive from Germany and from our Allies combined, as much
as we owed to America, but he was of opinion that it was useless to
approach the question from the viewpoint of our needs but as a busi-
ness proposition, realising that there was no chance of receiving a
considerable sum until German credit is restored. He concluded that
the British earnestly desired to act in accord with the Allies, and he
was convinced that the French Government desired to similarly act
but the danger lay in a possible difference of public opinion in both
countries making an agreement between the Governments difficult
and perhaps impossible.
An authoritative interpretation of the French programme for
the Conference declares that France will not agree to a reduction of
her share of reparations unless the Allies agree to a different arrange-
ment relative to their claims on Germany. Regarding the inter-Allied
debts, France is unable to pay her debt or interest until Germany has
completed the restoration of the devastated regions. The programme
insists on the stabilisation of German currency, the balancing of the
budget, cessation of discounting of treasury bonds by
the Reichsbank and enforcement of the arrangements made to pre-
vent the flight of German capital. In the event of default the pro-
gramme contemplates as "pledges" the installation of an inter-Allied
Commission at Essen to control the coal output, and exploit the
forests, also it requisitions the occupied territory of the Ruhr including
export duties, the control and issue of licenses and seizure of customs
receipts and coal taxes. The foregoing is estimated to yield one
million gold marks annually. The "sanctions" comprise military
occupation of Essen, Bochum and part of the Ruhr basin and the
establishment of a customs barrier east of the occupied territory
without prejudice to postponement of the date of final evacuation of
the occupied territory.

Paris, Jan. 3.
A semi-official French statement, roundly condemning the British
scheme, particularly objects to the suggestion that France should
abandon to Britain her gold deposit in London, amounting to over
a milliard francs; likewise the proposal to entrust control of German
finances to a Council of representatives of the Allies, United States
and another neutral, with the German Finance Minister presiding, and
concludes that the impression in political circles relative to the possi-
bilities of agreement are decidedly pessimistic.
The Daily Mail says the British delegates, who dined with
M. Poincare, learned that the French Government summarily rejects
the British plan, which it is unable even to accept as a basis of
discussion. The situation is grave and disturbing.

Paris, Jan. 3.
Deep disappointment is expressed in French Press comment
on the British reparations plan. Le Matin quotes a high personage as
declaring that the plan will involve a revision of the Versailles Treaty.
Le Matin refuses to believe that the "almost painful opposition" dis-
played yesterday in Anglo-French views will result in a rupture on
all questions, and concludes by expressing confidence, if an agreement
is found impossible and France takes protective guarantees, that
Mr. Bonar Law will not adopt a hostile attitude. The Echo de Paris
says M. Poincare will to-day insist on the French proposal being taken
as a basis of discussion. If he does not get his way, it is doubtful
whether the conference will survive.

Le Journal says that the clarity and moderation of M. Poincare's
exposition favourably impressed the delegates, whom Mr. Bonar Law's
plan bewildered. No French Parliament would approve if the British
scheme; indeed, no French Government could propose its approval.
The Petit Parisien, like Le Journal and all other papers, is confident
that Belgium and Italy will support France. The Homme Libre says
the German proposals cannot be worse than the British and adds that
Mr. Bonar Law's plan is such that a French personage regretted the
absence of Mr. Lloyd George, but M. Poincare replied to him, "No, for
Mr. Lloyd George would have tried to bring us here without telling
us where we were going, while Mr. Bonar Law has had the courage
to frankly submit a plan, which completely misunderstands French
opinion."

London, Jan. 3.
It is pointed out that the British scheme has been so arranged
as to offer every inducement to Germany to redeem as soon as
possible fifty milliards of bonds, which sum might, by early loans
and discounting in the market, be reduced to some twenty five mil-
lards. The debt proposals would mean, roughly, remission of two
thirds of the Allied debts to England. The morning papers, with one
prominent exception, comment approvingly on Mr. Bonar Law's
scheme, but the difficulty of harmonising the Franco-British plans
is fully recognised, while all reports from Paris represent the
French authorities as most disappointed at the British proposals,
which are regarded as quite incompatible with French views.

BIG CALCUTTA FIRE.
Calcutta, Jan. 3.
An All-India Industrial Exhibition, being held here, has been
practically destroyed by fire. The damage is estimated at ten lakhs
of Rupees.

OBITUARY.
Nice, Jan. 3.
The death is reported of Mr. Arthur Dimsy, F.R.G.S., the well-
known writer and lecturer.
[For many years Mr. Dimsy advocated the Anglo-Japanese
Alliance, founded in 1891 the Japan Society and published "The
New Far East" in 1893.]

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THE CAIRO MURDERS.
Cairo, Jan. 3.
A mass meeting of the British community has passed a resolution of indignation and abhorrence at the systematic murdering of British people and has urged the formation of a committee to organise the British community for self-protection, particularly by arming.

AN EXECUTIVE RESIGNATION.
Washington, Jan. 3.
Mr. Fall, Secretary of the Interior, is resigning on 4th March owing to pressure of private business.

WEDDING.
Daugherty-Avery.
The wedding took place at All Saints' Chapel, Shanghai, on Christmas Day, of Dr. Paul Rees Daugherty, of Hongkong, to Miss N. B. Avery, of Savannah, Georgia, who only recently arrived in the Colony. The Rev. Bruce McCrae officiated.
It was a quiet ceremony, and was attended by a few friends of the parties. The bride, who was given away by Mr. H. E. Paddock, was attended by Mrs. J. W. Shannon as Matron of Honour, and the bride- groom was accompanied by Mr. Paul Henderson, of Hongkong, as best man. After the ceremony, a reception was held at Mr. Paddock's home.
Dr. Daugherty has been practising in the Colony for some years and is very well-known in sporting circles.

A RUSSIAN'S BOMB.
(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Jan. 3.
A Russian, carrying a bomb, slipped on the deck of the steamer Yules of the refugee fleet at Woo-sung. The bomb exploded, killing the carrier and wounding another in the knee. The latter will very likely lose his leg.

MANY CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE
in the manufacture of glasses: one of the most important is that invented by Sir William Crookes, who, as the result of numerous experiments, combining glass with various metals, has succeeded in producing a material which cuts off 98% of the infrared or heat rays together with the ultra-violet or chemical rays, called Sir William Crookes' glass. Crookes' lenses of any prescription in either regular or Toric form are manufactured by the Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., manufacturing and refracting opticians—the most competent manufacturing optical establishment in the colony—located in 53, Queen's Road Central.

"OH, THAT APPENDIX!"
Committee and Frivolous Doctors.
In the report of the Medical Service Sub-committee presented at the meeting of the Insurance Committee for the County of London, a case is mentioned in which the Committee are of opinion that a medical practitioner made frivolous and unjustifiable remarks on certificates of incapacity for an insured person. An approved society drew attention to a number of remarks on several certificates. Some of these remarks were as follow:—
February 13, 1922: "You are very unwise not to have an operation, you are better off without that horrid appendix of yours. If thy right hand offend thee cut it off."
February 28: "You and your appendix must part."
March 14: "An appendix which has no right to be there and should have come away long ago. Can your society not arrange to compel you to remove this unruly member of yours?"
March 21: "Oh, that appendix."
May 2: "Have it cut out or chuck me."
In another case the same practitioner wrote on a certificate, "Try not to talk so much and give your tongue a rest." The report says the doctor pointed out that there was no mention on the certificate of any other remarks, and he took it for granted that he had liberty of speech and that he was entitled to make confidential remarks. He had no intention of being objectionable.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Panel 1: "HAS LUNCH READY YET NOW? I GOTTA HURRY BACK TO SCHOOL & SIT AWAY."
Panel 2: "HERE ARE SOME MORE WEINERS, FRECKLES—PUT SOME MUSTARD ON THEM."
Panel 3: "20 MINUTES PASS BY."
Panel 4: "AREN'T YOU HUNGRY, FRECKLES?"
Panel 5: "YEAH. WELL, WHY DON'T YOU START?"
Panel 6: "I'M WAITING FOR THE MUSTARD TO COOL OFF!"

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PENGUIN LOVERS.

"Social Customs" in the Antarctic.

The curious ceremonies which attend the love-making of penguins were described by Surgeon Commander Murray Levick in a lecture in London on "The Social Habits of the Antarctic Penguins." In the spring, the lecturer said, the hen bird scooped out a rough hollow in the frozen ground, sat in it, and waited. The male birds went from nest to nest in parties, and when one of them saw a hen who took his fancy he picked up a pebble and placed it at her feet. If a pebble could not be procured, as was often the case on the frozen ground, the male went through the process in dumb show.

The ceremony of placing the stones was a signal for all the other males to attack the one daring bird. A terrible battle followed in which there was much spilling of blood, and ultimately the one bird is regarded as entitled to mate with the hen, and he is left in possession.

On one occasion, said Commander Levick, a member of the party was sitting down watching the birds when a male came up, examined him closely for some time, and then solemnly picked up a pebble and placed it at his feet. The human, not being well up in the etiquette of penguin society, did not know what to do, and the bird, finding its advance ignored, inspected the strange, silent animal once again nibbled at his trousers, and then went off.

BIG FIRE IN SIMLA.

Grand Hotel Totally Destroyed.

Simla, December 7th. The biggest fire which has hitherto been witnessed in the annals of Simla history occurred in the Grand Hotel at 5 p.m. yesterday. The fire is believed to have started in the chimney of one of the rooms in the top flat of the main building, and helped by a rather high wind, rapidly spread over the whole estate. The efforts of the Fire Brigade proved futile owing to their inability to get at the seat of the fire and to insufficient pressure at the water mains with the result that all but two blocks were reduced to ashes in a few hours. The idle crowd which collected along the approach and near the building also impeded salvage.

The greater part of the residents, personal effects had to be flung from the balconies and windows and it is believed that a good deal of pilfering took place. Residents found a temporary home with friends at the "Cecil" some being left with only what they stood in. The furniture and contents of the Hotel were totally destroyed.

The loss is estimated at about six lakhs of rupees. The Hotel is said to be partially covered by insurance.

EARLY MAN IN MALTA.

Interesting Remains Unearthed.

During the months of August and September two expeditions were at work in Malta; one, financed by the Percy Sladen Memorial Fund, was under Miss Caton Thompson and worked in the cave of Ghar Dalam; the other, under Miss M. A. Murray and Dr. Edith Guest, excavated the megalithic ruins of Borg en Nadur.

The cave excavations were undertaken primarily with the object of securing further evidence as to the existence of palaeolithic Man in Malta. Teeth of what may be Neanderthal Man have been found in the cave, but so far no other remains of the kind are known in the island. It is important that a strict search should be instituted throughout the Maltese group of such remains, in order to throw light on the problem of the landbridge between Europe and Africa, of which Malta is probably one of the last relics.

Much of the record of Ghar Dalam has been lost owing to the fact that the cave has been for many years the happy hunting-ground for all sorts and conditions of men, from the skilled naturalist down to the souvenir-hunting tourist. Miss Caton Thompson's excavations were, however, made in an undisturbed part of the cave; and though no palaeolithic remains were found, the accurate observations and records may enable us to realize under what conditions the different strata were laid down, and give evidence as to the date of the fossil animal bones found in the stratified soil.

PREVIOUS FINDS.

The megalithic remains of Borg en Nadur have always been known to archaeologists, as the great trilithon is the finest single piece of megalithic architecture in Malta. Behind the trilithon a terraced field had been built up, completely covering the remains of the ancient building to a depth of nine or ten feet. The excavations were made in this field and were purposely limited to a very small area. About twenty yards west of the trilithon an assiduous building was found, of the type peculiar to Malta. The entrance was to the south-east, in the middle of a curved wall which outlined a forecourt. The plan of the building shows a straight central axis ending at the north-west in a semi-circular niche, the width of the central passage; on each side of the central passage are two semi-circular apses, built of rough-hewn stones. The small size of these stones and the primitive character of the building suggest that this is the earliest of the Maltese Neolithic structures, and perhaps the prototype of the Tarxien and Mnajdra buildings.

In the niche at the end were three upright stones, and hidden away in a hole cut in the pavement on the north side of the niche were two stone implements; one, of chert, shows distinct marks of use; the other, of black flint, is

BUFFALO BIRTH-RATE.

Head Increases Eightfold in Eight Years.

The great Canadian herd of buffalo at Buffalo Park, Wainwright, Alberta, has increased to 6,146 head, according to the official count as the animals were being turned out of their winter quarters into the 160 square miles of range enclosed in the Park. The report, made to the Commissioner of Canadian National Parks, shows the natural increase for the year to be 1,075 while the decrease due to fighting old age, and animals slaughtered, was eighty-one, giving a net increase of 994. Thirteen years ago the nucleus of the great herd, numbering approximately 700, was purchased from Michael Pablo, of Montana, and the buffalo have grown in this period to eight and one-half times the original number.

To-day Canada possesses three-fifths of the American bison in the world, with an estimated valuation of \$2,000,000. A pair of buffalo has been shipped to England for the purpose of introducing new blood into the herds in the Zoological Gardens at Regent's Park.

The only herd of buffalo of any size in England (says the *Empire Review*) is that owned by the Duke of Bedford at Woburn Park, containing about sixty animals. Buffalo were first introduced into the Old Country in 1891, when ten full grown animals were shipped by Colonel C. J. Jones, familiarly known as "Buffalo Jones," from his own herd at McCook, Nebraska, to C. J. Leland. The shipment of buffalo from the Canadian herd at Wainwright will be the second of its kind to the British Isles. Late in 1913, at the instance of the late Lord Strathcona, a donation of two three-year-old bison was made to the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland to be placed in the Dublin Gardens, where they have now increased to five.

The finest stone implement yet found in Malta. Over the entire site potsherds were found in quantity, and, very rarely, a whole vase was found placed in an angle of the building, evidently as a votive offering.

Professor Zammit's wonderful discoveries at Tarxien gave us the distinction between the Neolithic and Bronze Age pottery, which had not been differentiated before. At Borg en Nadur our knowledge is advanced a step further by finding pottery transitional between the two eras. Some fragments of painted pottery came to light in the excavation; these show a certain influence in the style of decoration and in the coloring, and date them to the middle Neolithic period. This is the first definite connection yet found between prehistoric Malta and one of the other ancient civilizations.

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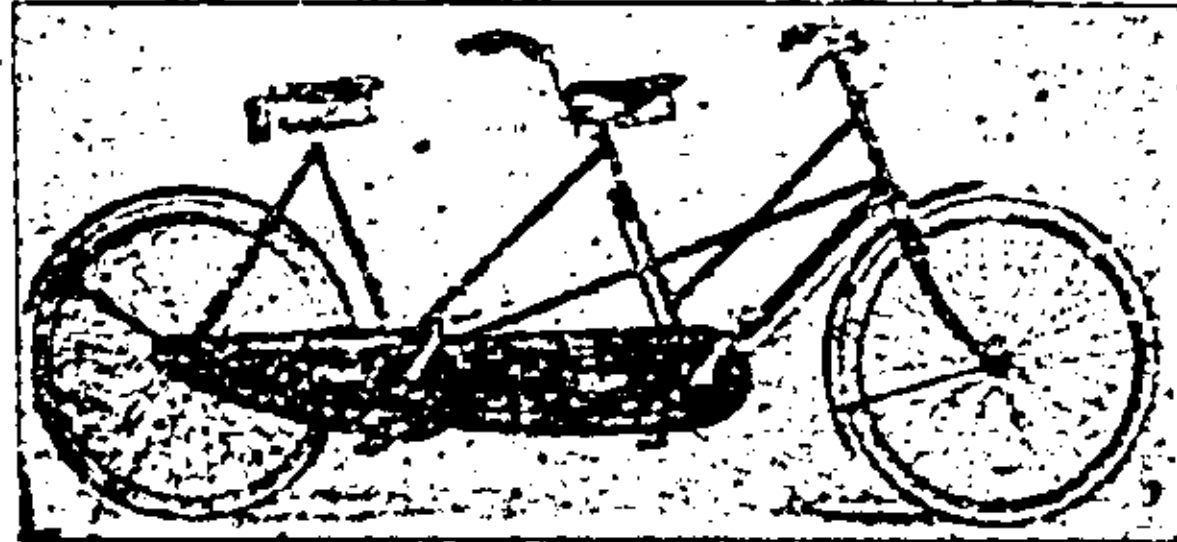
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The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 4th Jan., 1923.

A TIMELY PROPOSAL.

A correspondent made an admirable suggestion in our columns yesterday when he pleaded for the creation of a local committee for the purpose of enlisting the services of men of note passing through the Colony, the idea being that they should be induced to give lectures or addresses on subjects with which they are specially qualified to deal. As he says, at present it appears to be nobody's business to move in the matter, and Hongkong has lost much through remissness in this respect.

During the course of a year, Hongkong is visited by a considerable number of notable people, who for the most part come and go unnoticed except when they can be persuaded to undergo the process of being interviewed. Occasionally, religious leaders give addresses to the limited circle interested therein, but men famed in the realms of travel, science and art seldom give a Hongkong audience the benefits of their wide knowledge. In Shanghai and other Far Eastern centres, where Rotary Clubs exist, it is otherwise; and Hongkong people must on many occasions have envied the residents of these places in consequence. There is every reason why a special effort should be made to bring into being some organisation which could deal with a matter of this kind, and our correspondent's suggestion that the University authorities might permit the term "University Extension Lectures" to be applied to discourses of the nature contemplated appears to us to be altogether admirable.

It might, as suggested by the correspondent, be necessary for the committee, once formed, to receive considerable financial support, but that should present no difficulty in view of the object in view and the wealth of the Colony. The Government might even assist with a grant, for it aids many movements which are less beneficial than the one now advocated. It certainly is a regrettable fact that Hongkong people, cut off as they are from so many advantages enjoyed at Home, should be deprived of hearing the views of men of note who visit us, merely because no effort is made to enlist their services in the interests of a public

which would much appreciate lectures of the type suggested. Such a movement would have a truly educative value, and we hope that as a result of the suggestion now put forward some of our leading men will take the idea up and endeavour to work out a practical scheme.

Reparations Proposals.

There seems to be small chance of the resumed conference of Allied Premiers coming to a quick decision on the matter of reparations, but we trust that the need for solidarity at this critical juncture of European affairs will be realised, and that a definite agreement will be reached. Each of the Governments concerned has its scheme to offer, and it will become a question of blending the different proposals in a manner acceptable to all the Allies. Britain's official scheme, we note, embodies the very important principle of a further occupation of German territory in case of renewed default. This is not incompatible with the French viewpoint. However, there is the matter of a moratorium, which Britain favours and France opposes. Germany really appears anxious to meet her liabilities; and now that there is American interest in the subject, besides efforts by the United States to assist in the finding of a solution, we can look forward to a better tone in inter-Ally relations, and perhaps even see a final agreement on reparations within the next few weeks. Although the French Cabinet has rejected the British proposals, we still think that there is the possibility of an understanding after some further discussion. We cannot believe that the Entente is going to break up at a time when unity is so essential.

Inter-Allied Debts.

Once again, we find the British Government willing to forego a large proportion of the money owing from its Allies of the War, in order that an amicable settlement of this vexed question shall be arrived at. The proposal put before the Premiers at Paris, as set out in a Renter cable published yesterday, must appeal to all as a very fair one, and it is to be hoped that here, as well, the Allies will come to a satisfactory agreement. Mr. Bonar Law points out that even if Britain were to receive every penny due to her from Germany and the Allies she would still be in arrears with her liabilities to America, so that there can be no doubt that the British scheme is based on entirely disinterested motives. Incidentally he points out, what we have repeatedly stated, that it is absurd to expect Germany, in the present position of that country, to meet a larger share of her liabilities. German credit has first to be restored, and there is no doubt that the international loan, if it is put through, will solve one big problem at least. France desires to see the stabilisation of German currency, and an accompanying balancing of the country's Budget, and should therefore subscribe to the opinions in favour of the proposed loan. Whatever their grievances, and however much their views might fail to coincide, we think the Allied Governments are by now quite as weary as the general public at the continual failure to come to a lasting decision, and that any chance which offers of permanent accord will be seized upon without delay or unnecessary argument of any kind. We trust that this spark of optimism on our part will not prove to be mistaken, and that the preliminary disagreements indicated in today's cables will not develop into definite estrangements.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club 2nd XI versus Kowloon 2nd XI at Kowloon on Saturday, 6th January, at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—W. W. Mackenzie, E. Spicer, Galloway, D. Reid, D. B. Peck, D. E. G. Nicholson, G. H. Flery, M. M. Watson, W. Brackenkridge, B. Crowley and H. E. Hollands.

The following have been selected to represent the K.C.C. in their friendly match with the H.K.C.C. on Saturday:—J. P. Robinson, B. D. Evans, C. I. Stapleton, Capt. G. E. Spinks, G. A. V. Hall, C. G. Dance, B. Petheram, R. E. Lindsell, H. H. Benson, J. C. Fletcher and S. Jex.

DAY BY DAY.**LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO WASTE
TIME HATING EVERYBODY.**

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

The rainfall during December was very slight. The total registered at the Botanic Gardens was 1.01 inch. There were 23 days on which no rain fell.

To a charge accusing him of being drunk and disorderly at the Leung Wing wharf, a Sikh watchman to-day returned the plea that he could not walk and did not know where he was going. The Magistrate (Mr. R. E. Lindsell) said: "Well, that is one way of describing it. Fined \$5."

A large quantity of arms, comprising one Winchester rifle, two revolvers, 27 Mausers, 14 Luger revolvers, one Colt automatic, as well as various spare parts and nearly 6,000 rounds of ammunition, was seized aboard the Empress of Canada on Tuesday, following which the No. 3 Chinese pantry boy was arrested and the head boy absconded. The case was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court to-day.

This morning was one of the coldest we have had this winter, a thermometer a few feet above sea level registering 47 degrees F. at a quarter past seven. At the same time yesterday, this thermometer registered 50.5, three and half degrees higher. The last cold snap was on November 26, when the reading by this instrument at seven in the morning was 49 degrees. The thermometer at the upper Peak tram station this morning registered 41.

Douglas Fairbanks in "His Majesty the American" is still delighting Coronet audiences and will, it is safe to predict, continue to do so until the film gives place on Sunday to "Thy Soul Shall Bear Witness," the great Swedish picture of which the London Times declared that the "acting and production are alike remarkable." In response to numerous requests, the Coronet management have decided to give Hongkong another opportunity of seeing Douglas Fairbanks in "The Three Musketeers" on Monday.

Wearing a long coat which he hoped would help him in the work he was engaged upon, a shoplifter who went into the Lai Wah store in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday, did not calculate in the watchfulness of the guard employed at this place, and consequently was surprised when he found himself grabbed on coming out of the shop. From under the man's long coat the guard took a piece of blue serge that had been lying on the counter. The prisoner had nothing to say when charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Police Court this morning, and was consigned to prison for a period of four weeks.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

A good tussle should be witnessed on Saturday in the cup match between the Navy and the Club, at Happy Valley 4.15 p.m. Up to the present both the Navy and the Club have beaten the Army. The following will represent the Club:—Moorsam, Jordain, Butlin, Prowse, Skinner, Gace and Clark; Raiston, Cooper, Day, Logan, Mabey, Jones, Andrews, Lamingh.

A CAILLAUX "SCENE."

Paris, Nov. 13.—M. Caillaux, former French Prime Minister, who is travelling in the South of France, had an unpleasant experience at Toulouse last evening. He was dining at an hotel there and sitting at an adjoining table was a barrister of the Toulouse Court of Appeal. This gentleman left his table and, addressing M. Caillaux, ordered him to leave the hotel. "Your presence here is a scandal," he cried. A dozen other diners joined in the demonstrations against M. Caillaux, and a lady sitting at his table intervened to protect him against violence. The attitude of his opponent was so menacing that M. Caillaux found it prudent to leave the hotel.

FOOTBALL TIPS.**Saturday's Prospects.**

(BY "QUIZ.")

The matches for Saturday are as follow:—

Division I.

Police v. Club.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.
Kowloon v. Tamar.—Railway ground, Kowloon.
South China v. R.G.A.—South China ground.
Hawkins v. Titania.—Navy "A" ground.
Ambrose v. King's.—Navy "B" ground.

Division II.

St. Joseph's v. United.—St. Joseph's ground.
South China "A" v. Kowloon.—South China ground.
Titania v. South China "B"—Navy "B" ground.
R.G.A. v. Marazion.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.
Hawkins v. Carlisle.—Sookunpoo "B" ground.
King's v. University.—Club ground.
Ambrose v. Auxiliaries.—Navy "A" ground.
Police v. Warders.—St. Joseph's ground, 4 p.m.

The Club journey to Sookunpoo this week to play their return game with the Police, and are confident of winning. The Police are not consistent, but they always give the Club a good game and, with Dr. Valentine back in the team, may share the points.

The Tamar are the visitors at Kowloon this week, and the sailors will find the small ground much to their liking. With Hill in form the attack should overcome the Kowloon defence and the sailors are expected to break their long series of reverses. Kowloon also play in-and-out football, probably due to continued changes in their side. Combs was unable to turn out last week, and Cleme crossed over from the right wing to the left while Brown made a re-appearance in the attack. A good game should be seen, with the sailors just getting home.

South China receive the R.G.A. at Happy Valley and the return meeting between these teams should end in a win for the locals. The last game ended in a win for South China, who made a very creditable draw with the King's last week, after being two goals down.

The Ambrose are at home to the King's on Navy "B" ground, and a well-contested game should be seen. The sailors have been doing well lately in the League and should play the soldiers to a draw. In their game in midweek against the Titania, the League leaders did not show up to advantage, for, although winning by two goals to nil, most of the play was in the King's half. These teams met a fortnight ago, when the military won by four goals to nil.

The game between the two Navy teams on the "A" ground should be worth watching. These teams met at Sookunpoo in the first League game and played a drawn game of two goals all, after the Titania were two goals the lead. With the Titania playing up to recent form, they should give the flagship a good run and share the points.

Eight games have been arranged for the Junior Division this week. The Carlisle arrived in port recently and will play the Hawkins at Sookunpoo. The Hawkins should win and maintain their position at the head of the table.

The King's play their postponed game with the University this week on the Club ground, and a fast game should see the military team winners. St. Joseph's are at home to the United and will have to take the field without Ogley, who broke his arm last week at Sookunpoo. A good game should be seen and a draw should be the result.

South China "A" meet Kowloon on the South China ground and the local will be out to win. On their showing of last week, they should be successful. The Titania should go down to South China "B" on the Navy "B" ground. R.G.A. and Marazion

**MACAO'S NEW
GOVERNOR.****Welcomed at Club
Lusitano.**

The new Governor of Macao, His Excellency Dr. Rodrigo Rodrigues, arrived from Lisbon yesterday by the Atucha Maru and was met on the boat by the Portuguese Consul-General. Owing to the late arrival of the steamer, he was unable to make his official call on H.E. the Governor of Hongkong, but this was done this morning, prior to the departure for Macao by the gunboat Patria. Dr. Rodrigues has had a distinguished career. Besides being an Army medical officer of 10th, he has been Minister of Interior, Director of the Lisbon Penitentiary and Professor of Medicine at Goa. Soon after his arrival, the new Governor, accompanied by his wife, two daughters and staff, was escorted to the Club Lusitano, where he was warmly welcomed by the Portuguese community.

There was a distinguished company of Portuguese at the Club to meet the new Governor, including among whom was the Consul-General, the Captain and officers of the warship Patria, and representatives of the various local Portuguese clubs. After His Excellency had been presented to various notabilities present, Mr. A. F. B. Silva Netto, as president of the Club Lusitano, welcomed the distinguished guest and wished him a successful career in his new office.

His Excellency's Response.

In responding, His Excellency outlined the policy which he intended to adopt when he reached Macao. He stated that in the past the Portuguese Government at home had to some extent neglected his compatriots in the Far East, but it would not only be his aim to see that this neglect was remedied, but he would make every endeavour to see that Portuguese in the Orient were given an opportunity of expressing their opinions regarding the government of the Portuguese Colony. He favoured a Congress of Portuguese throughout the Far East to discuss measures for the promotion of the better welfare of his countrymen here. He also intended to direct his energies in the direction of further promoting trade between Portugal and the Orient; and in that connection would encourage every effort made to establish a direct line of steamers with the East. Not only would the Portuguese in Macao be the object of his special interest, but he would also do what he could to advance the interests of his fellow countrymen all over the Far East.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.**A Splendid Show.**

Every available seat was occupied last night for the opening performance of Harmston's Circus, and although the programme was an exceptionally long one, the audience were kept amused and thrilled right up to the last moment.

Of the seventeen excellent items, pride of place should perhaps be given to the daring and extremely clever flying trapeze act of the "Great Arcos Trio." Their feats in mid-air kept the crowd in breathless suspense, and at the conclusion of their act they met with well deserved applause. The educated horses introduced by Mr. W. Harmston, proved to be trained to perfection, while the equestrian acts of the Misses Arcos and Bell were greatly admired.

The final scene, when a huge denizens of the forest as lions, tigers, leopards and bears mingle together in the arena, obeying every command of their trainer, was certainly sensational, and a tribute to the patience and nerve of Mr. Assan, who is said to be the only Javanese wild animal trainer.

The whole show thoroughly justifies the claim that it is one of the best combinations that has ever been on tour.

The performance starts promptly at 9.15, and seats may be booked at Moutrie's.

meet at Sookunpoo, and a good game should end in a win for the sailors.

SUMMARY COURT.

Judgment in Recent Action.

In the Summary Court this morning Mr. Justice Gompertz gave judgment in the recent action in which Yuen Wing-cheung, a trader, sued the Cheong Sing Loong Hing Kee and Chan Yau, meat and cattle dealers, for \$1,352.33, the balance of principal and interest due on Chinese borrowing notes. The old \$352.33 was waived to bring the case within the jurisdiction of the Summary Court. There was another defendant in the case, Tsang Fook, against whom judgment was given by consent some time ago.

Mr. C. H. Lyson appeared for plaintiff and Mr. M. K. Lo for Chan Yau.

Outlining the facts, his Honour said:

"In April, 1921, the defendant, Tsang Fook, asked the plaintiff, whom he had known for years, for a loan. He stated that he was carrying on the business of Cheong Sing Loong and that money was needed for further capital. He mentioned that he had a partner but did not give his name. The money was \$1,000 and was paid over to him at a restaurant. He put the firm's chop on the borrowing note. Two months' interest was subsequently paid by Tsang Fook and then, as the plaintiff received no further payment, he issued this writ against the firm and the other partner, Chan Yau. Tsang Fook was not made a defendant on the writ as originally issued. When the case came on he appeared by a solicitor and admitted liability and I ordered him to be added as a defendant.

The question remaining is as to the liability of Chan Yau. It appears that the partnership conducted a slaughterhouse. The meat from the slaughterhouse was sold to a stall in the market under the style of Chan Yau Kee. The licensee of the stall was the defendant, Chan Yau. This defendant gave up active participation in the management of the slaughterhouse in July, 1921, and the business thenceforward was conducted by Tsang Fook as managing partner. The business was a cash business, and the evidence is that in April, 1921, it was doing well and had surplus assets invested outside.

"It is not suggested that Chan Yau was cognisant of the loan or in any way authorised or ratified the transaction.

"It seems that the defendant, Tsang Fook, had been drawing money from the firm for his own purposes and that he used the proceeds of this loan in partial replacement of what he had taken. The firm had never before borrowed money and had no need to borrow money in April, 1921, for the legitimate requirements of the business. There is no evidence that it is usual or customary for a firm of this kind to borrow money or that borrowing money is part of the business of such a firm."

His Honour referred to Lindley and continuing said:

"On the law laid down by the learned author and illustrated by three cases, it seems quite clear that the defendant, Chan Yau, is not liable. I will not comment on the case further than to say that the plaintiff has no-one but himself to blame. Apparently his trust in Tsang Fook was so great that he omitted to take the most elementary precautions. I give judgment for defendant, Chan Yau, with costs, and for the plaintiff against the defendant, Tsang Fook, with costs.

RELIGION AND EDUCATION.

Dr. Garvie on the Purpose of Life.

"No education is an adequate education that is not also a religious education," said the Rev. A. E. Garvie, the Principal of New College, London, opening a conference at the Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, recently, on "Christian education." They were recognising more and more, he said, that religion was the spirit and purpose of the whole of life. Therefore they could not relegate it to any one particular compartment of the mind without doing irreparable harm to the whole. We must get away from the idea that religion could be separated from education. It was a proof on him of our immortality that we could go on through life learning and our education was never finished.

THE VATICAN LIBRARY.

Some Valuable Possessions.

The Vatican Library, the chief director of which is reported to have declined the Pope's offer of a cardinalship, on the ground that he prefers to retain his present position, is (writes "A. H.") apt to prove disappointing to visitors. They are not usually shown the most interesting books or manuscripts. On one occasion I heard a visitor remark: "I thought we were to see a library, but we've seen nothing but furniture." Certainly the great Library Hall—the part usually thrown open to tourists—contains many handsome pieces of furniture and sculpture, sent to the Pope by emperors and other dignitaries, but a few interesting manuscripts are also exhibited.

The library's most valuable possession is undoubtedly the MS. known as the Codex Vaticanus, which has been in the custody of the Vatican for some four or five hundred years. This earliest extant copy of the Scriptures is, however, so jealously guarded by the Papal authorities that it is difficult even for scholars of repute to gain access to it. Dr. Tregelles, a noted student of textual criticism, who was fortunate enough to get a sight of it, was, however, not allowed to open the volume until his pockets had been searched and his writing materials taken from him, while two priests were told off to keep an eye on him lest he should devote too much attention to any particular passage. Pope Pius IX., however, took a more generous view, and the text is now available through the facsimiles made by his instructions, and these copies are to be seen in the principal public libraries.

ARBuckle FILMS.

Might Be Seen Again.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 20.—Will H. Hays, president of the moving pictures producers' association, announced to-day that Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, movie star who was barred from the films recently, would be given a chance to return to the movies after the first of January. Joseph Shmuck said Arbuckle would work for him. Hays' statement said in part:

"Arbuckle is to have another chance to go to work and make good if he can. After the first of the year, he will be given his new opportunity. Arbuckle seems completely chastened and his conduct since he was barred from the screen apparently has been exemplary."

Roscoe Arbuckle was tried three times and acquitted on the last trial of the charge of manslaughter in connection with the death on September 9, 1921, of Virginia Rappe, a movie actress, two days after she had attended a party given by Arbuckle at his apartments in the St. Francis hotel in San Francisco. Shortly after Arbuckle's acquittal the moving picture interests barred his films from the screen.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 20.—Mayor Lew Shanks of Indianapolis declared to-day that he would bar "Fatty" Arbuckle's films from this city despite the announcement of Will H. Hays at Los Angeles that he would be allowed to return to the screen next month.

AN "ESCAPING COMPANY."

German Swindle Exposed.

Before a French Court-martial at Mainz the story has just been told of how eight Germans founded an "escaping company."

A prisoner at the Wittlich prison stole an order, stamped and signed by the French general headquarters, for the release of a man who had been pardoned. This paper he gave to a Wiesbaden woman, who founded the "company." This concern succeeded in procuring the improper release of a large number of prisoners, including some dangerous criminals, during the past two years. A general headquarters stamp was counterfeited, and used on specially printed release forms, the signature being carefully copied from the original stolen order. All documents were posted in correctly stamped envelopes in Mainz.

Sentences of twenty years' hard labour and three thousand marks fine were passed in their absence on each of the eight persons concerned.

AEROPLANE PROBLEMS.

Value of Model Tests.

At the fourth fortnightly meeting of the session of the Royal Aeronautical Society in November, a paper was read by Mr. McKinnon Wood, of the Royal Aircraft Establishment, South Farnborough, on "The Correlation of Model and Full-Scale Work."

The lecturer said that model tests provided a rapid and cheap method of testing new ideas and investigating aerodynamic theories, of discovering the best form for wing sections, fuselages, airship hulls, &c., and of guiding the design of aircraft in obtaining the best proportions and distribution of the component parts of the craft in order to attain speed, climb, stability, and ease of control. Many designing firms made use of "wind channels," and work was also carried out at the National Physical Laboratory and the Royal Aircraft Establishment.

He quoted a case in which the climb of a new aeroplane was found to be considerably poorer than expected in view of its power, weight and wing area. Wind channel tests with a model carried out later showed that the poor performance could have been predicted. The lift or drag of a wing and other aeroplane characteristics could not be calculated mathematically, and the necessary experimental data could be acquired much more rapidly, safely, and economically by model tests than by full-scale work, subject to the qualification that unless some relation between model work and the full scale could be established, the model work must be of uncertain value.

In order to conform to what was known as "the law of dynamic similarity," it would theoretically be necessary to test, say, a one-tenth scale model at ten times the full scale speed. This was impossible; but there was another possible method—testing a one-tenth scale model in a channel built inside a strong steel chamber filled with air at ten times atmospheric pressure. He thought that the difficulties of constructing such a chamber could be overcome, and he would like to see it tried.

A TELEGRAPHIST'S DILEMMA.

The work of a telegraphist is often very trying to the nerves, especially when much night work has to be done. It was because he had a great deal of night work in the Government Telegraph Office at Mandalay, Burma, that Mr. C. L. Francis suffered a nervous breakdown. How Dr. Williams' pink pills—the blood and nerve tonic with a thirty years' world-wide reputation—revitalized his nerves and restored his health and strength Mr. Francis relates thus:

"My work, which entails much night duty, has always been most trying, but I strove to cope with it, ignoring the danger of a breakdown until the harm occurred. Then I had to give up work altogether and was confined to bed. Physicians examined me and gave me prescriptions, but I continued to suffer from constant headaches, and from a heavy feeling that was not sleepiness for I could not enjoy a good sleep. My nerves were unstrung, I was irritable and felt weak and miserable. All enjoyment seemed to be gone from my life.

"My brother-in-law, Mr. T. D. Paul, who had himself been cured by Dr. Williams' pink pills, recommended me to try that medicine. I felt reluctant to do so, for constant failures had made me despair of being cured. However, on his insisting, I took his advice.

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MIGRANT BIRDS.

Swallows and Wild Geese.

In November birds from the north come thronging into England, on the same cold and frosty winds that drive the last of the summer migrants south, writes "A. C." in the *Observer*. Field-fares are the most conspicuous newcomers in inland districts; they enter like travellers seeking quarters, glancing hastily, and passing on with a remark. In most years the land is not quite cleared of the summer birds before the northern adventurers enter. If every warm bay of the south coast were searched in the latter part of November, probably a handful of lingering swallows or house-martins would be found in every year. A mystery still hangs about these laggards: though swallows or martins have been seen in sheltered coves on sunny days well into the new year, none have yet been proved to survive from autumn until spring. Most are probably young birds abandoned by their parents; for swallows and martins are dilatory nesters, and by mid-October the instinct of migration becomes stronger than their attachment to their young. This year in Shropshire a nestful of young house-martins was abandoned about the fourteenth of October. Late swallows can often be identified as young birds by the shortness of their forked tail-feathers. The migrant instinct seems feeble or absent once the due time for their passage is over; these lingering swallows sit weakly or sit half dazed on their perches, marked out for death.

In the flocks from the north the tide of life runs high; the nipping air that kills the last swallow, merely braces them to a keener activity. They show the same zest in finding England that English swallows may feel when—as the evidence of marked birds has now shown—they arrive in South Africa in its summer time. Field-fares scouting in a rimy pasture are full of this winter stir; still more heartening is the passing of a flock of wild geese, coursing high in their arrow-patterns, and bugling. Only the grey-lag goose breeds in Britain; tame geese by the crofts in the Hebrides show in their barred flanks the recent influence of the wild strain. But wild geese of at least six kinds visit our coasts in great flocks for winter, or are seen passing yet further south. Geese migrate both by night and day, with a varied impression on humanity. By day their disposition and cries are a delight; by night, when the notes change and chime in the unseen dark like Waltham bells heard deep through Epping Forest, or a distant knell of forlornness, they have roused superstition and dread.

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EXHIBITION OF SMALL CRAFT.
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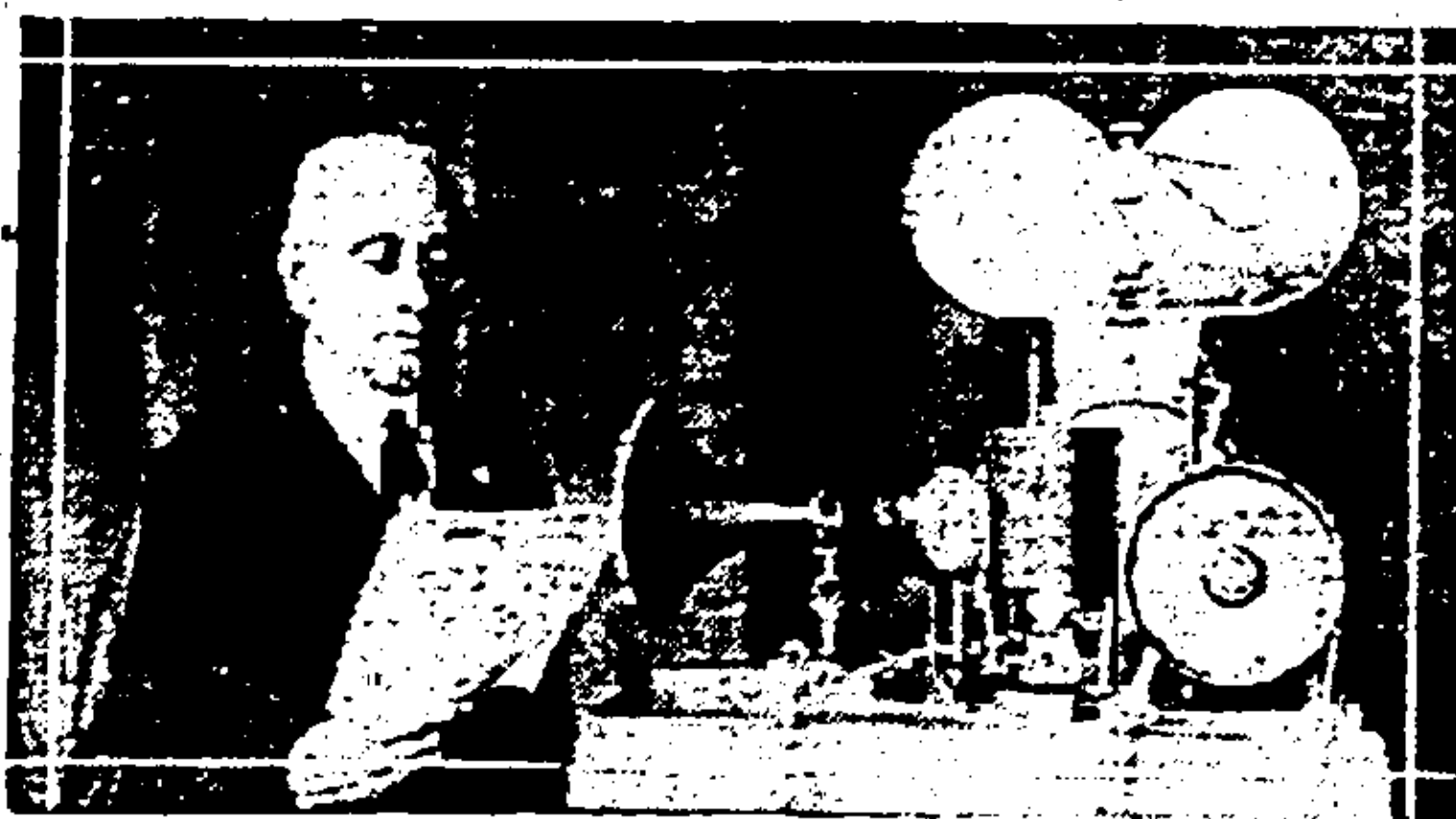
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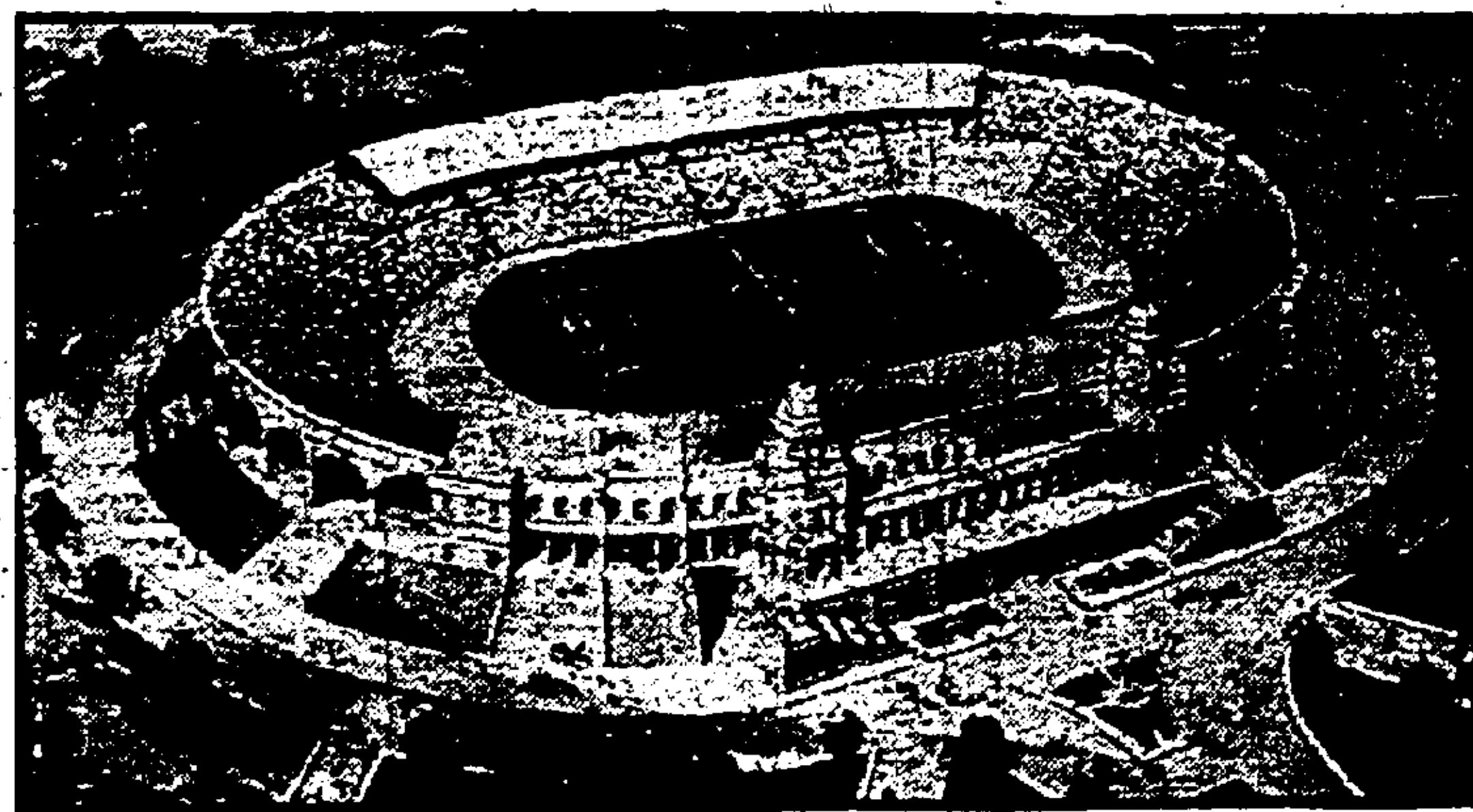
Relief work amongst refugees from Thrace. Photo shows Colonel Emery (right) with
Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, of Norway (second from right), inspecting the conditions of the town of Rodosto.



King George, the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York are
shown here paying their respects to the memory of the British
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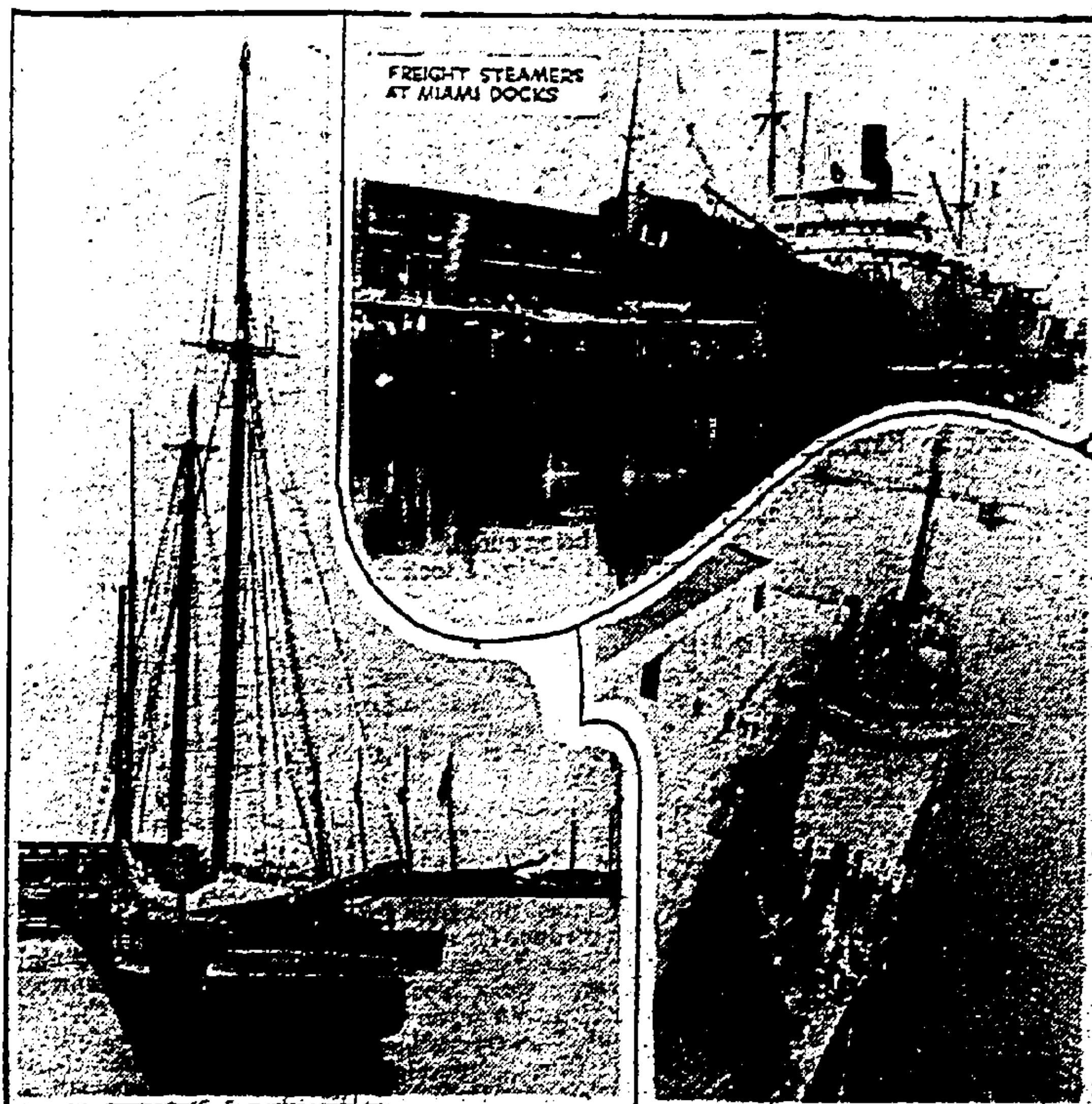
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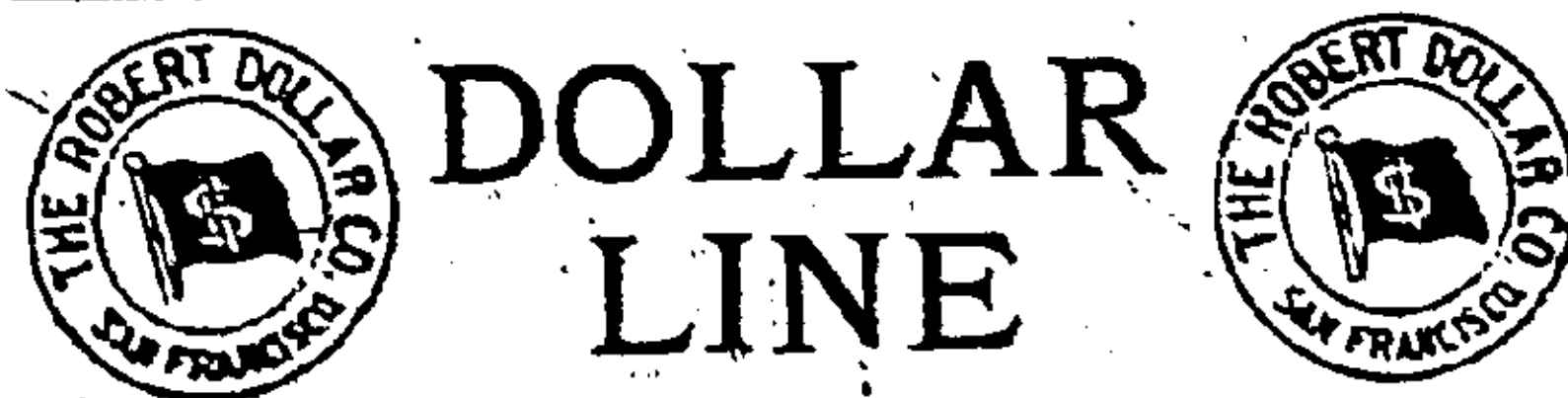
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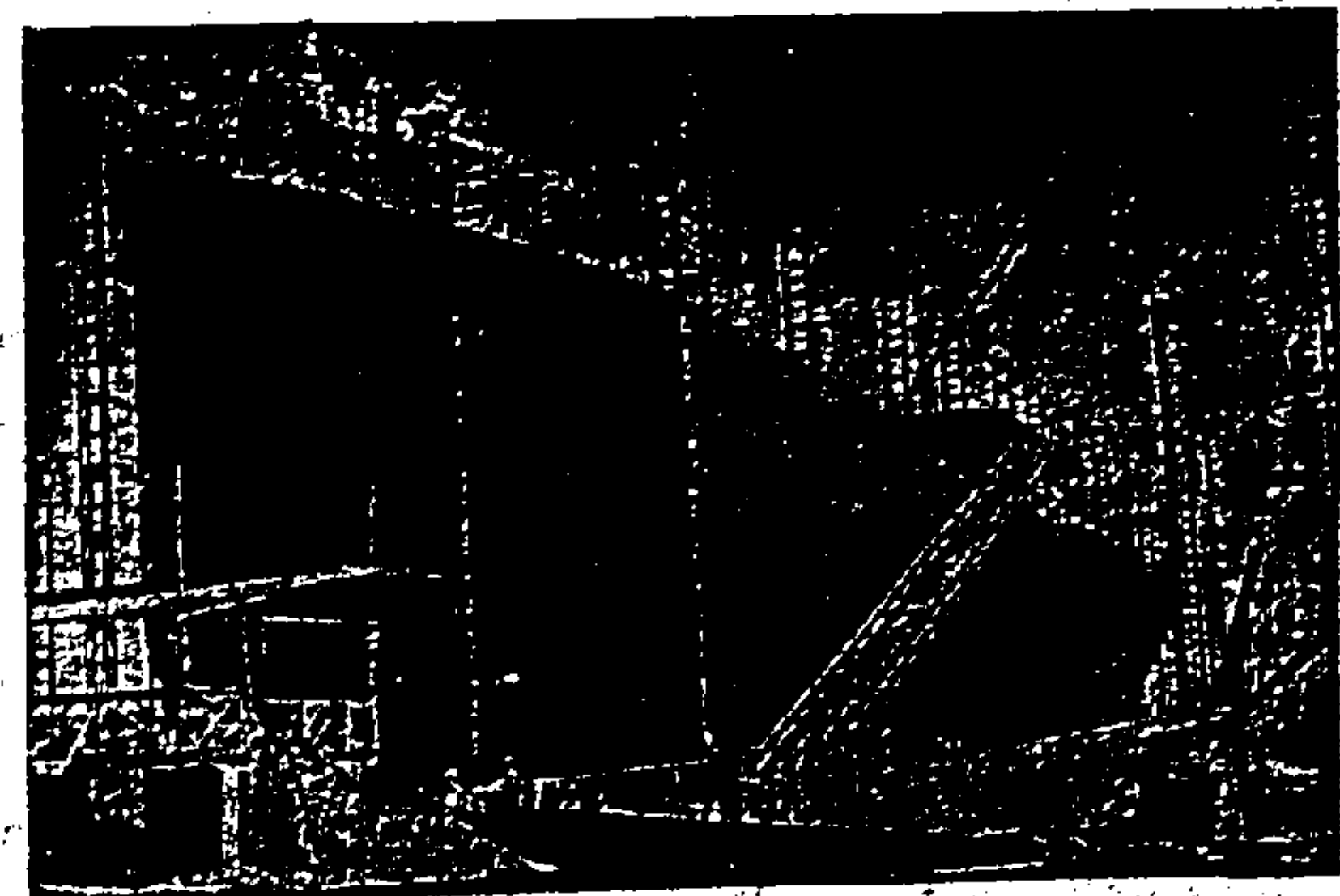
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MAGPORE	5,300	13th Jan.	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay
SOUDAN	6,700	22nd Jan.	S'pore, P'ang, G'bo & B'bay
SARDINIA	6,700	24th Jan.	M'ses, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,850	7th Feb.	M'ses, London & Antwerp
DELTA	8,097	7th Feb.	M'ses, London & Antwerp

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JAPAN	6,000	4th Jan. 2 p.m.	Calcutta via S'pore & P'ang
TANDA	7,000	15th Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

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ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Jan.	Manila, Thursday Is-land, Trillo, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Jan.	Japan direct
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OLENBEG	30th Jan.	CARNARVONSHIRE	17th Jan.
PEMBROKESHIRE	6th Feb.	G'oa, L. Hull, R'dam & H'burg.	
		GLENBEG	29th Jan.
		London, Hull, R'dam & H'burg.	
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Tjilondari	Dalry	in port	2nd Jan.	Batavia
Tjikembang	Java	4th Jan.	7th Jan.	Shanghai, N. China
Tjilalak	Bali	5th Jan.	8th Jan.	Shanghai, Japan
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HARUNA MARU ... Saturday, 6th Jan. at 11 a.m.

KAMO MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Jan. at 11 a.m.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

MITO MARU ... End of January.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

DELAGO MARU ... First half of February.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

YOSHINO MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Jan. at 11 a.m.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Feb. at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & BOSTON VIA PANAMA.

DURBAN MARU ... Friday, 12th January.

BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.

4OMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

AWA MARU (Calling Penang) ... Wednesday, 10th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

OSAKA MARU ... Saturday, 6th Jan.

YACASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

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PASSENGER SERVICE.

"City of Simla" ... 9th Feb. ... Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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HAIPHONG via Hoihow Mingsang	Fri. 5th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
MANILA	Fri. 5th Jan. at 3 p.m.	
Kobe via Moji	Sat. 6th Jan. at 4 p.m.	
P'KOW via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Sun. 7th Jan. at 9 a.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Takang	Sun. 7th Jan. at 9 a.m.	
T'AO via S'hai & S'hai Fookshing	Sun. 7th Jan. at 9 a.m.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Chidder	Mon. 8th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Wed. 10th Jan. at 3 p.m.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Kwaisang	Mon. 15th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	Tues. 16th Jan. at noon.	
Kobe via Shanghai	Mon. 22nd Jan. at noon.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Tues. 30th Jan. at 3 p.m.	

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Haklong	J. S. Thomson	FRI. 5th Jan. at 1 p.m.
Haifong	Edis Walker	TUES. 9th Jan. at noon.

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S.S. "SHINYO MARU"

From SAN FRANCISCO via

HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS.

The above named Steamer, having arrived on Tues. 30th Jan. 1923, consignees of cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeding immediate discharge will be landed at consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Tuesday, 31st Jan. 1923.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown where same will be examined on Tuesday, 9th Jan. 1923, at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the steamer or Godown, and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks after arrival of steamer.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,

Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

From NEW YORK.

The Steamship,

"CITY OF DUNKIRK"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 8th January, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer, must be presented to the Under-signed on or before Jan. 15th, 1923, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period of one week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED

General Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd Jan., 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.

The Steamship

"PRESIDENT GRANT"

having arrived from Seattle

Wash. via ports on 31st Dec.

consignees are hereby notified

that their cargo is being landed

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Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.,

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